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1861 Independent District Colorado Territory

July 27 At a meeting of the miners of Independent District held at the Recorders office on the 27th day of July A.D. 1861
Geo. Dougherty was called to the chair and C. S. Arnold Secretary
Moved and Carried that the Articles of Laws be accepted

Moved to reconsider the resolution as presented and the same be considered seriatim by Section and adopted or rejected

Resolved That the same shall be placed as a renewal of the old Laws

Article 1st adopted

Art 2d adopted with ~~amen~~ amendment

Art 3d Rejected

Art 4th adopted with amendment

Art 5 adopted
" 6. 7. & 8. were Stricken out

Art 9 Adopted

Art 10 Adopted

Art 11 Adopted

Art 12 Adopted

Art 13 Stricken out

Art 14 The Recorder shall have 50c for recording all instruments of Writing necessary for Record

Art 15 Rejected

" 16 Adopted
" 17 Adopted
" 18 Adopted

Moved to Adjourn Carried

July 27th 1861

C Griswold Secy

Geo Caughy
act Pres

Independent District
Aug 3rd 1861

A meeting of the miners of Independent District was called on Aug 3rd AD 1861 at 2 O.clock P.M. for the purpose of testing our rights in regard to said District
Meeting came to order at 2 oclock.
Geo Caughy act President
C Griswold Secy
Mr. Shean appeared claiming this Independent District as Virginia district. but on Examining his Book prooved there had never been an organization made of Virginia District
The advertisements of Meetings Read -
Minutes of organization of Independent District read & approved: Mooved & Carried that we recognize Independent District - Mooved to adjourn - Carried C Griswold Secr

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1861 Independent District Colorado Territory

Aug 3. At a meeting of the miners of Independent District held at the Recorders office on the 3rd day of July AD 1861 for the purpose of Electing a Delegate to the Convention to be held at Buckskin Joes on Monday Aug 5th 1861 for the purpose of Nominating a Candidate for the Council of this District in Colorado Territory —
John H Smith chosen President
C Griswold Secy —

On Motion Geo Coughty was unanimously Elected a Delegate to attend said Convention

Moved & Carried that the delegate be instructed to use all honorable means to secure the ~~Election~~ nomination of Dr E A Arnold for Councilman

Adjourned

Aug 3rd 1861 C Griswold Secy

# 1861 Independent District Colorado Territory

A Meeting of the miners of Independent District was held pursuant to call at the office of the Recorder on Saturday Aug 10th. AD 1861. for the purpose of recognizing Kindrick District which was organized ~~to~~ within the Boundaries of Independent District

Meeting Called to order by A Sayer Chairm Call for the meeting Read also the Petition for the calling of Said meeting Read

Mr. Price read the boundaries of Kindrick District and Spoke at length on the object &c

Lichner Read portions of the bylaws of Independent District and Spoke at length opposing the organization of Kindrick District &c

mooved & sec that a committee of 5 on credentials be appointed — Lost

mooved that (3) Three persons be appointed as judges of Election - carried

C R Price
D C Freeman
C Griswold } were appointed Said committee
J. H. Cates was appointed teller

mooved that Each person give in his name Stating whether for or against the division of Independent District

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|---|---|
| Whole Vote Cast | 66 |
| for Division | 43 |
| Against Division | 23 |

motion for a Division Lost

mooved to Adjourn: carried

C Griswold Recr

1861 Independent District Colorado Territory

Aug 15 Meeting Called to order by L C Miller.

Call for Meeting Read
Petition for the Meeting Read

Mooved by Mr Edwards that we proceed to the Election of New officers for Independent District — Carried

Mooved that the President appoint three as persons as judges of Election — Carried

C Griswold
H R Price
John Hughes } were appointed said Committee

Mooved that John H Cates act as clerk of Election — Carried

Mooved that we proceed to vote by Ballott Carried

Whole vote taken 126
Edwards for President 68
Price " Recorder 68
Sayer " President 58
Griswold Recorder 58

making the Election in favor of Edwards and Price by 10 Majority

Mooved to adjourn — Carried

Aug 15th 1861 C Griswold Secy

Independent District Colorado Territory

Aug 21st A.D 1861.
A Meeting of the miners of Independent District was held pursuant to call at the office of the Recorder On Wednesday Aug 21st 1861 for the purpose of Reorganizing Summit District which was Organized within the Boundaries of Independent District North of the Platte River

Meeting Called to Order by the President C. M. Edwards. Call for the meeting Read also the Petition ~~of~~ for the Calling of Said meeting Read

On motion of Mr. Ogden. all Territory North of the Platte River Belonging to Independent District Be Set off to Summit District Carried Unanimously.

Moved To Adjourn: Carried

Aug 21st A.D. 1861.

H R Prier, Rec

Independent District Col Ter Sep 3d 1861
A meeting of the Miners of this district was held pursuant to call at the office of the Recorder On Wednesday Sep 3d 1861 for the Purpose of amending the laws of Independent District.
Meeting called to order. Wm Hendricks appointed to act as President.
Notice and Petition for call of said Meeting Read, after several motions being made by J Bur and Lacy a motion made to adjourn Carried H R Prier
Sep 3d 1861

Independent District Col Ter. Sept 7th 1861
Meeting Called to Order by W Kendrick.
Call for the meeting Read.
Petition Read.
On motion J. McCalister no Lode.
Shal be Recorded farther than ten claimes
Each way from Discovery. Carried..
On Motion, W Baden the officers of this
District be empowered to appoint Deputys
to fill there offices in there absence. Carried
On Motion of R Old. that the present
officers of this District hold there offices
till the first of July 1862. Carried
On Motion of M. Griffin the meeting
adjorned till October 15th 1861. Carried
Unanimously.
~~Oc~~ September 7th A.D. 1861

H B Price Sec

Independent District Col Ter. Sept 16th 1861
at a meeting of the miners of this Dist
called for the Purpose of Setling the right
of Water Claims on the Platte River in
dispute between B Hall & Co and Brown
an Campbell. Meeting Called to order
by W Kendrick. at 2 O'clock PM
On motion of Mr Fisher the meeting
adjorned to 6 O'clock P.M. Carried
Meeting Called to order at 6 O'clock
On motion of W. Newland. - the meeting
Vated by Ballat to decide the Right to
the watter power between the Parties for
B Hall & Co. 21 votes for Brown and Campbell
18 votes President decide that Hall & Co. are
entitled to the claims on motion the meeting adjorned - Sept 16th 1861
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Independent District Cal Ter. Sep 21th 1861

at a meeting of the miners Called
by. S Campbell. and athers On a appeal
Case from. the Decision of the miners
On the 16th day. of Sept. 1861 in determaning
the right of water Claims Between
B Hall & Co, + Campbell & Brown
which was. decided in favour of B.
Hall + Co. On the 21st Sept at 3 oclock. P,m
meeting called to Order, A. L. Lam
apointed President, of the meeting,
On motion they vated by ballot,
whole Vote for { whole Vote for {
Brown + Campbell { B Hall + Co }
was twenty Six (26) } was thirty one (31) {
Decided in favour of Hall + C.
On motion the meeting adjourned
this the 21st day Sept. A.D. 1861.

H R Price Secretary
by
J W. Coleman
Deputy Secy

# Independent District Colorado Ter. Nov. 4th 1861

A meeting of the Miners of Independent District having been called for the 4th day November 1861 in accordance with the Notice issued by H. R. Price, Recorder the Miners met — On motion J. M. Robison elected President Pro Tem. On motion of Mr. Grieswold that Article fifth be amended the vote stood for amendment fifteen (15) against amendment five (5) motion for amendment carried. On motion of Mr. Stone that there be a committee appointed to amend Article fifth of the By Laws the following committee were appointed:— N. F. Spicer, N. G. Bond, and W. Stone. On motion the ~~report~~ amendment of the committee was adoped — On motion of Mr. Dewitt that we proceed to the election of a President the vote stood as follows:—

W. F. Stone twenty four (24) votes
E. Robison one vote (1)
L. B. St. James one vote (1)

On motion of Mr. Grieswold that we proceed to elect a new Recorder — a motion was made to reconsider — the motion to reconsider carried — On motion that the office of Recorder be declared vacant — for the motion twenty (20) against the motion ten (10) motion carried. On motion — proceeded to the election of a new Recorder; vote stood as follows:—

N. F. Spicer Eight (8) votes
H. F. Lentz Eighteen (18) votes.

H. F. Lentz having received a majority was declared elected. On motion meeting adjourned.

The above, are copied from minutes kept by H. R. Price.

Nov. 6. 1861

Henry F. Lentz Recorde

Independent District C. T. Jany 9th 1862.

At an informal meeting of the Miners of Independent District held at the Recorders office of said District: to hear Mr. Becker state his views in regard to Tunnelling: It was resolved: As there is no laws in this District in regard to Tunneling: That a committee be appointed to draft a Law on this subject. Lewis Jones was appointed President Pro. Tem in the absence of the regular President.

The committe appointed were as follows: J. A. Bond, A. Kessler, A. W. Johnson, and Mr. Becker. This meeting was held the 6th day of Jany, 1862.

Henry F. Lentz
Recorder

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Independent District, C. T. Jany 9th 1862.

A meeting of the Miners of Independent District having been called for Jany 9th, signed by twelve Miners of said District; and the usual three days Notice having been given; the Meeting met:

Meeting was called to order by the Recorder, who stated the absence of the regular President.

George Frier having been elected President the meeting proceeded to business.

Committe appointed by the President to draft a law on Tunnelling made their report; report was read, and on motion adopted, as one of the By-Laws of Independent District.

No other business being before the meeting motion was made to adjourn: Carried.

Henry F. Lentz
Recorder

# Independent District Colorado Ter

A Meeting of the Citizens of Independen District having been caled for Feb 26th 1862 in accordance with the notice issued by the Deputy Recorder the Citizens met. Mr White was caled to the chair Geo H Fryer offered the following amendment to article 2d of By Laws. Resolved that the Boundaries of this district be as follows commencing ~~two~~ miles South east of Shinns House at the centre of the Platt River thence with the the centre of Platt River up to the summit of the range between the Heads of Platt & arkansaw Rivers thence with the summit of the range oppisite from begining thence to the place of begining. there was a question raised as to the Legality of extending the District. Thereupon the chair appointed a committee of three consisting of A B Legget. J M. Allen and Geo H Fryer to wait upon the Recorder of Montgomery and look upon his records. and ~~inquire~~ assertain wether the Boundaries of said District would in any way conflict with us in Extending our District. the committe after waiting upon the Deputy Recorder reported that there was no law upon record that would in any way conflict with us in Extending our district. The report of the committee

# Minutes Continued

was received an committe discharged thereupon the amendment to Article 2d of By Laws was again taken up and put to vote it was unamiously adopted. and ordered to be placed upon record. on motion a committe of three consisting of I. N. Bond. I S Marvin and Z. M. Allen was appointed by the chair to Draft By Laws for Gulch mining while the committe were attending to the duty assigned them other Business came before the meeting. on motion the offices of President and recorder was declared vacant on Motion of A W Johnson. I N Bond was declared Elected President. on motion of A W Johnson Geo H Fryer was declared Elected to the office of Recorder then the committee on By Laws made their report, which is as follows

## Laws Regulating Gulch Mining.

### Article 1st

All Gulch Hill Bar or side claims shall be one hundred feet square.

### Article 2d

All claims shall be held by the first record and shall be recorded within 5 days after filing if not the claim shall be forfited. Article 3d

All claims shall hold good untill the first day of June 1862 they shall be worked two days in each week thereafter if not the claim shall be forfited.

## Minutes Continued

### Article 4th

Any Person taking the water from the natural chanel shall return the same as soon as possible.

### Article 5th

Any Person running tailings on another claim shall be held responsible for any damage that may occur

### Article 6th

Any difficulty occuring between miners shall be settled by a meeting of the miners caled for that purpose or at any regular meeting.

### Article 7th

Any Gulch Bar Hill or side claims handed in for record it shall be the duty of the recorder to stake and number as soon as practicabl and receive twenty five cents for staking each claim to be collected as Recorders fees.

The articls were adopted section by section and committee discharg There being no further Buisness before the meeting on motion we adjourned

Geo H Fayer Recorde

# Independent District Colorado Territory

A caled meeting of the miners of Independent District was held this wednesday Evening March 19th A.D. 1862. Meeting caled to order I N Bond Presiding. the petition was read stating the object for which the meeting was caled. the minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved. On Motion of C King that the list of names put upon record by A. W. Johnson purporting to be Boscobell Lode be obliterated an amendment was offered and accepted that each voter should come to the Secratary and put his mark under the name that they wish to stand upon record. carried. upon footing up the marks under each name McLane received 37 votes Johnson 14 votes thereupon the President declared that McLanes record should hold Good and instructed the Recorder to have Johnsons Record obliterated from the records. on Motion of C King that all Lodes discovered hereafter the crevice shall be defined and the Discoverer shall stake ten claims each way from discovery before handing the Lode in for record. Z M Allen offered an amendment that this resolution should apply to all claims heretofore taken the amendment was lost and the original motion was voted upon and carried on Motion of Mr White that the Discoverer shall receive twenty five cents for each claim that he stakes carried on Motion adjourned

Geo H Fryer Recorder

A Caled Meeting of the Miners of Independent District was held at Recor Office May 27th A.D. 1862 President Bon presiding. ~~all~~ Motion all Gulch Bar or Hill Diggings. Except Platt Gulch that the time for representing said diggings shall be extended untill 20th day of June next ensuing. on Motion of C.W. Sears that the Recorder be alowed for every preempted claim for transcribing & Filing records in County Clerks office ~~and two~~ ten cents and twenty cents for every transfer of one claim and five cents for every additional claim conveyed therein on Motion of Mr Old that Lodes hereafter Recorded shall be designated by some Land Mark by which it can be foun on motion meeting adjourned to meet on first day of June next at two O Clock P.M.

Geo H Fayer Recorder

June 1st 1862 Meeting met persuant to adjournment of May 27th 1862 Theo. M Moody Presiding, on Motion. Resolved That Independent and Montgomery Districts consolidate so far as relates to settlement and representation of Platt Gulch adopted on motion. Resolved that the time for working be extended to July 1st 1862
carried

on Motion resolved that the President of Montgomery District & Discoverers of Platt Gulch make a centre line up the Gulch regardless of the stream which shall be the boundary of line Between Independendent and Montgomery Districts

Carried

on Motion resolved that claims recorded in Montgomery District prior to March 22d 1862 shall hold good as recorded

Lost

on motion. Resolved that we adjourn to the Montgomery Hall to meet Imeaditly

Geo H Faye Recorder of
Independent District